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Examiner: Alonzo Chambliss

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For: MANUFACTURING METHODS AND VACUUM OR
HERMETICALLY PACKAGED MICROMACHINED OR
MEMS DEVICES FORMED THEREBY HAVING
SUBSTANTIALLY VERTICAL FEEDTHROUGHS

Attorney Docket No.: UOM 0281 PUSP

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION
REQUIREMENT WITH TRAVERSE**

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Sir:

This is a response with traverse to the Restriction Requirement of June 2, 2005.

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Telephone Interview Summary

An Applicant initiated telephone interview was conducted between Applicants' Representative and Examiner Chambliss on June 17, 2005. During the interview, the Examiner confirmed that the Restriction Requirement of June 2, 2005 required an election between independent method claim 1 and independent method claim 16. Applicants' Representative respectfully contended that claim 1 is a generic claim as defined in M.P.E.P. § 806.04(d) since claim 16 contains all the limitations of claim 1. Examiner Chambliss did not render a decision but invited Applicants' Representative to file a response to the restriction requirement. No exhibits were shown. No demonstrations were conducted.